atmosphere which acts as a shield and these objects burn off due to atmospheric friction. However, there are objects of diameters between 1—100 km (in the category of comets and meteorites) which come close to the earth even though the probability of such objects actually colliding with the earth is small. It is difficult to predict the course of such bodies and hence there is always a potential danger from such bodies which may hit the earth.

(c) Global Astronomical Observations, including in India are carried out to constantly keep watch on the trajectories and orbits of larger bodies and objects. Optical telescopes and radar networks are being used globally to determine the orbits of space objects particularly those with large dimensions. Proposals by a number of scientists to devise rocket borne detonators which be launched towards an approaching body of larger size so that it could be broken up into pieces and thus minimising the risk of its hitting the earth are under constant dscussion, even though so far all the proposals being thought of are not only very expensive but also do not appear to be practical.

12.00 NOON

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Statement by Minister correcting answer to question. Shrimati Margaret Alva.

STATEMENT BY MINISTER

Correcting the relpy given in the Rajya Sabha on the 26th August, 1993 to Unstarred Question No. 4360 regarding empanelment of the 1962 batch of I.A.S. officers. (Placed in library. *See* No. 4697/93)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): Madam, in answer to parts (a), (b) and (c) of the Unstarred Question No. 4360 answered on 26-8-1993, the last sentence i.e. "The extant policy provides for a review every two years", may be substituted with the following sentence:—

> "Officers who are not considered suitable for empanelment at the initial assessment, should be reviewed along with the officers of the subsequent batch, when the subsequent batch is considered for empanelment."

श्री सिकदर बख्त : सादर साहिबा, मैं . .

†[सभापति महोदय, दिल्ली शहर सिकंदर बख्त : सदर साहिबा, मैं . . . .]

उपसभापति : पहले पेपर्स ले कर लें ।

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

I. Report and Accounts (1990-91) of the Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Uran Akademi Rae Bareli and related papers.

II. Notification of the National Airports Authority, New Delhi.

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): I lay on the Table—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

(i) Annual Report and Accounts of Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Uran Akademi, Rae Bareli, for the year 1990-91, together with the Auditors' Report on the Accounts.

(ii) Statement by Government accepting above Report.

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†[ ] Transliteration in Arabic Script.

(iii) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (i) above (Placed in Library. *See* No. 5221/93).

II. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the National Airports Authority, New Delhi, Notification No. S.E.C. 9,2,7, dated the 22nd March, 1993, publishing National Airports Authority (Employees Conduct, Discipline and Appeal Amendment Regulations, 1993, under section 40 of the National Airports Authority Act, 1985. (Placed in Library. *See* No. 5222/93).

I. Report and Accounts (1992-93) of the Electronics Corporation of India Ltd. Hydrabad and related papers.

II. Report and Accounts of (1992-93) the Indian Rare Earths Limited, Bombay and related papers.

III. Report and Accounts of (1992-93) of the Mehta Research Institute of Mathematics and Mathematical Physics Allahabad and related papers.

IV. Report and Accounts (1992-93) of the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research Bombay and related papers.

V. Report and Accounts (1992-93) of the Tata Memorial Centre, Bombay and related papers.

VI. Report and Accounts (1992-93) of the Institute of Mathematical Sciences Madras and related papers.

प्रधान मंत्री कार्यालय में राज्य तथा परमाणु ऊर्जा विभाग और अंतरिक्ष विभाग में राज्य मंत्री तथा विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिक मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री का अतिरिक्त प्रभार श्री भुवनेश चतुर्वेदी निम्नलिखित पत्र सभा पटल पर रखता है :—

कम्पनी अधिनियम, 1956 की धारा 619क की उपधारा (1) के अधीन निम्नलिखित पत्रों की एक-एक प्रति (अंग्रेजी तथा हिन्दी में) :—

(i) (क) 1992-93 के वर्ष के लिये इलैक्ट्रानिक्स कारपोरेशन आफ इंडिया लिमिटेड, हैदराबाद का छब्बीसवां वार्षिक प्रतिवेदन और लेखे, लेखाओं पर लेखा-परीक्षकों के प्रति-वेदन और उस पर भारत के नियंत्रक-महा लेखापरीक्षक की टिप्पणियों सहित।

(ख) उक्त प्रतिवेदन को स्वीकार करते हुए सरकार द्वारा विवरण।

(Placed in Library *See* No. LT 4744/93).

(II) (क) 1992-93 के वर्ष के लिये इंडियन रेयर अर्थस लिमिटेड, बम्बई का तैंतालीसवां वार्षिक प्रतिवेदन और लेखे, लेखाओं पर लेखा-परीक्षकों के प्रतिवेदन और उस पर भारत के नियन्त्रक-महा लेखपरीक्षक की टिप्पणियों सहित ।

(ख) उपर्युक्त प्रतिवेदन को स्वीकार करते हुए सरकार द्वारा विवरण।

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निम्नलिखित पत्रों की एक-एक प्रति (अंग्रेजी तथा हिन्दी में) :—

(III) (क) 1992-93 के वर्ष के लिये मेहता रिसर्च इस्टीट्यूट आफ मैथेमेटिक्स एंड मैथेमेटिकल फिजिक्स, इलाहाबाद का वार्षिक प्रतिवेदन और लेखा परीक्षित प्रतिवेदन।

(ख) उपर्युक्त प्रतिवेदन को स्वीकार करते हुए सरकार द्वारा विवरण।

(Placed in Labour *See* No. LT 4739/93).

(IV) (क) 1992-93 के वर्ष के लिये टाटा इंस्टीट्यूट आफ फन्डामेन्टल रिसर्च, बम्बई का वार्षिक प्रतिवेदन और लेखे और लेखाओं पर लेखा-परीक्षकों का प्रतिवेदन।

(ख) उपर्युक्त प्रतिवेदन को स्वीकार करते हुए सरकार द्वारा विवरण।

(Placed in Library *See* No. LT 4742/93).